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PATENT APPLICATION

Response Under 37 CFR

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Expedited Procedure

Examining Group 3679

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiromichi KOMORI et al.

Appln. No.: 09/904,908

Group Art Unit: 3679

Filed: July 16, 2001

Examiner: A. Dunwoody

For: ELASTIC SHAFT COUPLING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING
COUPLING ELEMENT

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 09, 2003,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing

of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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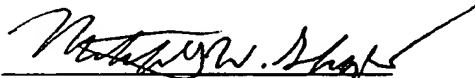
Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

In view of the above amendments and discussion, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully requested,

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